Radiation Report on MAX724ECK (LDC 0342)

Project: GLAST

A radiation evaluation was performed on MAX724ECK 2A step-down, PWM, switch-mode, DC/DC regulator (Maxim) to determine the total dose tolerance of these parts. The total dose testing was performed using a Co⁶⁰ gamma ray source. During the radiation testing, eight parts were irradiated under bias and two parts were used as control samples. The total dose radiation levels were 5, 10, 15, and 20kRads(Si). The average dose rate was 0.833krads(Si)/hour (0.23rads(Si)/s). After the 20krad(Si) irradiation, the parts were annealed under bias at 25°C for 168 hours. After each radiation exposure and annealing treatment, parts were electrically tested according to the test conditions and the specification limits listed in Table III. An executive summary of the test results is provided below in bold, followed by a detailed summary of the test results after each radiation level and annealing step.

All parts passed all tests up to 20krads(Si). After annealing the parts at 25°C for 168 hours, no significant change was noted in any parameter.

Initial electrical measurements were made on 10 samples. Eight samples (SN's 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, and 605) were used as radiation samples while SNs 596 and 597 were used as control samples. All parts passed all tests during initial electrical measurements. All devices had the following external markings on the top: MAXIM MAX724ECK 0342PS. There were no markings on the back.

All parts passed all tests up to 20.0krads(Si).

After annealing the parts for 168 hours at 25°C, no significant change was noted in any parameter.

Table IV provides a summary of the test results with the mean and standard deviation values for each parameter after each irradiation exposure and annealing step.

TABLE I. Part Information

Generic Part Number: MAX724

GLAST Part Number MAX724ECK

GLAST TID Requirement 20krads(Si)

Manufacturer: Maxim

Lot Date Code (LDC): 0342

Quantity Tested: 10

Serial Numbers of Control Samples: 596, 597

Serial Numbers of Radiation Samples: 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605

Part Function: DC/DC Regulator

Part Technology: Hybrid

Package Style: TO-220

Test Equipment: Custom setup

Test Engineer: C. Palor/H. Ngin

• The manufacturer for this part guaranteed no radiation tolerance/hardness.

TABLE II. Radiation Schedule for MAX724

EVENT	DATE
1) INITIAL ELECTRICAL MEASUREMENTS	11/16/0
2) 5 KRAD IRRADIATION (6.45 KRADS (Si)/HOUR)	11/16/0
3) 10 KRAD IRRADIATION (6.45 KRADS (Si)/HOUR)	11/16/0
4) 15 KRAD IRRADIATION (6.45 KRADS (Si)/HOUR)	11/16/0
5) 20 KRAD IRRADIATION (0.3 KRADS (Si)/HOUR)	11/16/0
6) 168 HOUR ANNEALING @25°C	11/17/0
Average Dose Rate = 20 000R ADS(Si)/24 HOURS=833R ADS(Si)/HOUR=0 23R A	DS(Si)/SEC

Table III. Electrical Characteristics MAX724

Test			Spec.	Limit	
#	Parameter	Units	min	max	Notes
1	Is	mA		11	
2	Ibf	μA		2	
3	Vref	V	2.155	2.265	
4	Vline tolerance	%	-1.5	1.5	
5	Isrc	μA	100	225	
6	Gain	dB			No spec limit, typical is 65dB
7	Switch-on Voltage	V		1.85	
8	Switching Freq	kHz	90	110	
9	Duty Cycle	%	85		

TABLE IV: Summary of Electrical Measurements after Total Dose Exposures and Annealing for MAX724ECK (1)

							Total Dose Exposure (kRads Si)								Annealing	
					Init	ial	5		10		15		20		168 hour	s
Test		Spec. Lim. (2)												@25°C		
#	Parameters	Units	min	max	mean	sd	mean	sd	mean	sd	mean	sd	mean	sd	mean	sd
1	Is	mA		11	4.3	0.2	5.1	0.4	4.7	0.1	4.6	0.1	3.8	0.1	3.9	0.2
2	Ibf	μΑ		2	0.2	0.01	0.2	0.01	0.2	0.01	0.3	0.02	0.3	0.02	0.3	0.02
3	Vref	\mathbf{V}	2.155	2.265	2.204	0.008	2.203	0.008	2.203	0.008	2.203	0.008	2.203	0.008	2.203	0.008
4	Vline tolerance	%	-1.5	1.5	0.13	0.01	0.14	0.01	0.14	0.02	0.14	0.02	0.14	0.01	0.13	0.01
5	Isrc	μΑ	100	225	155	12	158	5	150	9	150	8	145	8	155	9
6	Gain	dB			66.4	1.1	65.8	0.7	64.9	1.3	64.9	1.9	64	0.7	64.6	1
7	Switch-on Voltage	\mathbf{V}		1.85	0.44	0.14	0.39	0	0.74	0.14	0.79	0	0.79	0	0.49	0.19
8	Switching Freq	kHz	90	110	101	3	102	3	102	3	102	3	102	3	101.9	3
9	Duty Cycle	%	85		94.7	0.2	94	0.2	93.3	0.3	92.7	0.3	92.6	0.3	92.9	0.4

Notes:

${\bf Radiation\ sensitive\ parameters:\ none}$

⁽¹⁾ The mean and standard deviation values were calculated over the eight parts irradiated in this testing. The control samples remained constant throughout testing and ar

⁽²⁾ No post radition specification limits were given at the time of testing. Parameters selected by the project and tested according to the needs of the flight configuration.